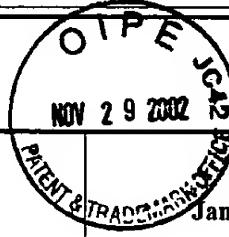


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**COMBINED AMENDMENT & PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF
TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) (Small Entity)**

Docket No.
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In Re Application Of: **David M. Center, et al.**



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TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

This is a combined amendment and petition under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of August 23, 2002 in the above-identified application.

Date

The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired):

One month Two months Three months Four months Five months

from: September 23, 2002 *Date* until: November 23, 2002 *Date*

A verified statement of small entity status as a small entity under 37 CFR 1.27:

is enclosed.
 has already been filed in this application.

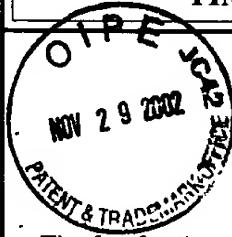
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CLAIMS AS AMENDED

	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST # PREV. PAID FOR	NUMBER EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	14 -	20 =	0	x \$9.00	\$0.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	7 -	7 =	0	x \$42.00	\$0.00
12/02/2002 AAD0F01 00000012 193886 09929924				FEE FOR AMENDMENT	\$0.00
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TOTAL FEE FOR AMENDMENT AND EXTENSION OF TIME					\$200.00

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Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 19-3886/RCT A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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